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On 20 March 1952, a work force of 200 men including engineers and technicians was engaged at Buchholz airfield. Five steam locomotives, 1 Diesel stump grubber, and 1 horse capstan were being used. Construction superintendent Lukov (fnu) was replaced on 12 March 1952 by construction superintendent Tautz (fnu) who was recently hired by the Bauunion Firm. The uprooting of stumps was completed on a 400-meter strip from west to east between 10 and 15 March. The stumps were hauled away, and the strip was being cleared. On 12 March, Major Olenick (fnu), a representative of the Verder construction staff appeared on the construction site and informed Chief Engineer Niemeyer (fnu) of the Bauunion that the Soviet unit will arrive on 1 April 1952 and that, by that date, clearing must be completed on the 400-meter W-E strip so that the Soviet unit might begin leveling. The target date for the Waren Bauunion Firm to start laying the humus cover was 5 May 1952. Two low wooden buildings to serve as quarters and one low wooden building as kitchen were to be erected in addition to the available installations consisting of a locksmith shop, a warehouse, a large wooden building used as a kitchen and another low wooden building used as offices and messhall. The construction site in Buchholz was still referred to as "O 11". \*

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- \* ☐ Comment. The report contains credible information on the present status of construction in Buchholz. It is believed that work will be done in several phases. The construction project covers an area of 400 x 2,800 meters which is to be entirely covered with grass. For location and dimensions of the project, see Annex to ☐

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